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In re application of:

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For:

**SYNTHETIC PEPTIDE FOR
NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS**

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Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: Turner, Sharon L.

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the office action dated December 26, 2002 concerning the captioned application, kindly consider the following:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4 line 7 and ending on page 4, line 10 to read as follows:

---The invention relates to a synthetic peptide consisting of at least the first five amino acids from the N-terminal of the sequence N L G E H P V C D S T D T W V (SEQ. ID NO: 2). The synthetic peptide mimics the biological properties of nerve growth factor